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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 04-Aug-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 08/04/01	PREVIOUS WEEK 07/28/01
BRO-FRY	159,924	160,031
LT HENS	1,617	1,700
HVY HENS	1,561	1,546

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEKS ENDING 28-JUL-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	403	8	411
LAST WEEK	278	8	286
SAME WK YR AGO	665	19	684
TO DATE 2001	13,918	207	14,125
TO DATE 2000	14,774	323	15,097

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SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	2,093	1,455	3,548
LAST WEEK	1,939	1,542	3,481
SAME WK YR AGO	2,464	1,742	4,206
TO DATE 2001	67,191	41,081	108,272
TO DATE 2000	73,557	42,681	116,238

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 28-Jul-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	158,124 (A)	1,690	1,447	3,137
AVG WT	4.79	3.49	8.03	5.59
LAST WEEK	158,453	1,661	1,534	3,195
SAME WEEK YR AGO	159,218	1,799	1,723	3,522
AVG WT	5.00	3.34	7.85	5.55
TO-DATE/2001	4,585,198	53,273	40,874	94,147
TO-DATE/2000	4,638,242	58,783	42,358	101,141

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 160.8 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 160 million head or 0.8 million head less than or 100 percent of estimated fryers available.

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**YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING July 21, 2001**

(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE	(B) RETAIL	(C) DEBONING
4.20 LBS & DOWN	4.21-5.25 LBS	5.26 LBS & UP
-----THOUSANDS-----		

HEAD	32,098	43,260	36,180
AVG WEIGHT	3.71	4.60	6.11
% OF TOTAL /1	29%	39%	32%
COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	38,325	32,090	42,184
AVG WEIGHT	3.75	4.79	6.09
% OF TOTAL /1	34%	28%	37%
SAME WEEK, YR AGO /2	36,243	40,397	38,703
AVG WEIGHT	3.78	4.84	6.04
% OF TOTAL /1	31%	35%	34%
TO DATE/2001	947,153	778,570	1,290,713
TO DATE/2000	962,483	945,473	1,187,667

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 28-Jul-01
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
HEAD	2,166	2,826	50	13	5,055
AVG WT	15.61	33.68	23.21	24.80	25.82
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS					
LAST WEEK	2,000	2,803	45	24	4,872
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,231 (B)	2,807	74	8	5,120
AVG WT	15.69 (B)	32.53	23.81	25.64	25.06
TO-DATE/2001	59,903 (B)	80,174	1,179	361	141,617
TO-DATE/2000	139,300 (B)		578	893	140,771

(B) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of hens and toms.

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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